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**U.S. Representative**

***John Spratt***

South Carolina ■ 5th District

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**News Release**

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**Spratt Announces Major Loan for Newberry Electric Co-op**

**WASHINGTON — U.S. Rep. John Spratt announced today that Newberry Electric Cooperative, Inc. has been granted a \$12.6 million loan from the Agriculture Department's Rural Utilities Service.**

“This is great news for the co-op and Newberry County,” said Spratt. “With this federal funding, Newberry Electric Co-op will be able to serve 1,127 new customers, construct 89 miles of new distribution line, and upgrade its system.”

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